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SUBJECT: CONVERSION OF SUPPORT TO COMBAT FORCES

REFS: A. STATE 073841; B. USNATO 1963; C. STATE 028856

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1. FOR BONN:

A. WE HAVE TOLD ALLIES (REF A) THAT WE WILL COORDINATE WITH NATO ON THE LOCATION FOR THE 1976 BRIGADE WHICH WE PLAN TO SEND TO EUROPE IN CONJUNCTION WITH PL 93-365 (THE NUNN AMENDMENT). A BRIEFING TEAM IS PREPARING TO BRIEF THE DPC, MC AND SHAPE ON APRIL 22 AND 23 ON OUR PLANNING AND WISHES TO INITIATE CONSULTATIONS IN NATO ON THE LOCATION OF THE 76 BRIGADE IN A MANNER WHICH TAKES INTO ACCOUNT ANY SENSITIVITIES OF THE FRG ON THIS SUBJECT. OUR PLANS NOW ARE TO SAY THAT THE US ENVISIONS LOCATING BRIGADES 75 AND 76 SO THAT THEY CAN MOVE QUICKLY TO MEET AN ENEMY THRUST WHEREVER IT OCCURS IN THE CENTRAL REGION.

B. A COPY OF THE MANPOWER REPORT TO CONGRESS POUCHED TO YOU BY REGISTRY NUMBER 1560674.

2. FOR BONN AND USCINCEUR: WE WOULD APPRECIATE A REPORT ON ANY PROGRESS IN THE STATIONING PLAN TALKS BETWEEN FRG MOD AND USAREUR WHICH WE CAN TELL NATO. WE ARE GOING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT NO ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TASKS HAVE BEEN ASKED OF THE GERMANS OR OTHER ALLIES TO COVER THE US SUPPORT REDUCTIONS. WE WISH TO CONFIRM THIS SO AS NOT TO UNDERCUT ANY RATIONALIZATION ACTIONS ON HOST NATION SUPPORT WHICH MAY BE UNDERWAY OR UNDER CONSIDERATION. KISSINGER

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